AMENDMENTS

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Please amend claims 1 and 18, as follows:

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1. (Once amended) [An] <u>A replication-competent</u> adenovirus vector comprising an adenovirus gene <u>essential for replication</u> under transcriptional control of a <u>cell status-specific</u> transcriptional regulatory element (TRE) [comprising a cell status-specific TRE].

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18. (Once amended) An adenovirus vector comprising an adenovirus gene under transcriptional control of [a] a TRE comprising a cell status-specific TRE and a cell-type specific TRE.

Please add new claims 29, 30 and 31 as follows:

--29. (New) The cell status specific TRE of claim 1 that comprises a cell status specific promoter.

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- 30. (New) The cell status specific TRE of claim 1 that comprises a cell status specific enhancer.
- 31. (New) The cell status specific TRE of claim 1 that comprises a cell status specific promoter and a cell status specific enhancer. --

REMARKS

Claims 1-28 were pending in the present application. By virtue of this response, claims 1 and 18 have been amended and claims 29-31 have been added. Support for the amendment to claim 1, which now recites a replication competent adenovirus vector comprising an adenovirus gene essential for replication, can be found at least at page 6, lines 1-9 and page 9, lines 18-22. The amendment to claim 18 is to correct an informality as suggested by the Examiner. Support

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